

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
Wednesday, November 17, 2021 | 5:00PM
City Commission Chambers
AGENDA

1. Approve or Amend Order of Agenda
2. Approve or Amend Minutes – October 20, 2021
3. Public Comment
4. Subcommittee Updates:
 - a. Fargo school district project (Neighborhood Working group)
 - b. Communication plan (Development working group)
 - c. Call for artists (Capacity working group)
5. Discussion Items:
 - a. 2021-2022 Introduction for Artists Opportunities, Presentation Included
 - b. Call for artists' timeline
 - c. 2022 Schedule
 - d. Conflict of Interest
6. Announcements
7. Adjourn

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ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting:

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the Commission Chambers at City Hall at 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 20, 2021.

The Arts and Culture Commissioners present or absent were as follows:

Present: Deb Williams, Tracy Jordre, Jon Offutt, Tracy Walvatne, Denise Kolpack, Joe Williams, Ann Arbor Miller, Brad Bachmeier

Absent: Monika Browne-Ecker

Chair Jordre called the meeting to order and welcomed Members to the meeting.

Item 1: Order of Agenda

Member D. Williams moved to approve the Order of Agenda. Second by Member Arbor Miller. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 2: Minutes: Regular Meeting of July 21, 2021

Member J. Williams moved the Minutes of the July 21, 2021 Arts and Culture Commission meeting be approved. Second by Member Offutt. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 3: Public Comment

Resident Christopher Coen shared on Agenda Item 6b regarding conflict of interest. Chair Jordre stated more time will be provided after staff's presentation on this item.

Item 4: Subcommittee Reports

a. Fargo School District Project (Neighborhood working group)

Member D. Williams shared that work is being done with the Visual Arts Curriculum Creator of Fargo Public Schools regarding a grant form for schools interested in participating. She also noted they are hoping to have student art work created though this project on display during a future show.

b. Communication plan (Development working group)

Chair Jordre shared feedback received from developers and the need to take the conversation deeper to bring more information forward.

c. Call for Artists (Capacity working group)

Member Offutt shared that the Arts for the Holidays event is moving forward.

Item 5: Project Updates

a. Kresge Project – Art of Belonging

Planning and Development Director Nicole Crutchfield shared that work is being done on timelines and next steps, and more information should be available for Board Members in the upcoming weeks.

Robin Litke Sall, Fargo Cass Public Health, gave a brief presentation on an International Overdose Awareness Day mural that was completed on south wall of the Harm Reduction Center at 510 5th Street North. She noted the artist Kim Jore donated the mural.

b. City Hall Curating

Ms. Crutchfield shared an update on a proposal to be part of the Art Works curating Program and noted starting on the first floor of City Hall an installation should be happening this winter and continuing with quarterly transitions of displays.

c. Arts for the Holidays

Member Offutt shared that the event will be held on December 11 and over 40 artists will be participating.

Item 6: Staff Updates

a. Staffing update

Ms. Crutchfield shared that Planning Coordinator Maegin Elshaug is back on staff with the City of Fargo Planning Department.

b. Conflict of Interest

Ms. Crutchfield noted a memo was distributed to the Board Members containing the City Attorney's opinion regarding the relationship with the Arts Partnership and Arts & Culture Commission Members, in particular Members who may be part of an organization who is part of the Arts Partnership.

Resident Christopher Coen spoke on the appearance of conflict of interest and public perception.

Ms. Crutchfield provided clarification that the Arts Partnership has a grant program that works with organizations and not directly with individual artists. Discussion was held clarifying that City of Fargo funds to the Arts Partnership are granted to organizations.

City Commissioner John Strand shared that the Arts & Culture Commission will have a new avenue of funding for 2022 through a pilot study of public funds and he looks forward to seeing what they come up with and more discussion to come on a future agenda.

Item 7: Adjourn – Next Meeting: November 17, 2021

The time at adjournment was 5:41 p.m.

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PUBLIC ART PROJECT TYPES & ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

INTRODUCTION: The chart on page 1 &2, Public Art Project Types, describes ways public art may be initiated and funded through the City of Fargo. The role of the Arts & Culture Commission in each project type is to participate on steering committees, provide oversight, recommend actions or selections based on processes, and to be aware of the programs and projects.

Public Art Project Types						
Project Types	Community Requested	ACC Call for Artists (CFA)	Public-Private Public Art Partnerships	Capital Arts Projects	Departmental Projects	Foundation Grant Projects
Project's Purpose	Purpose defined by individual or group as initiated	CFA purpose is to implement community-based public art: sculptural, visual or performance-based, lasting or temporary	Incorporate public art on private or institutional property (goal of 2022 and 2023)	Develop public art as a destination – regional attraction	Purpose is dependent on department goals and outcomes e.g. “Showcase the past, present and future of the City of Fargo”	Advance Government/Community Relationship through Creative Placemaking – connect public art with 2021 Madison/Unicorn Core Neighborhood Plan findings – change makers
Examples	Lions Club Spirit of the Sandbaggers	Skyway, FM Ballet performance, Canoe Parade	Utility Box Wrap in Downtown on Broadway, Murals on private buildings, Juneteenth, Red Ball	Sodbuster Courtyard	Fargo Community Water Tower, Catie Miller’s Past Present Future Panels on City Hall	World Garden Commons at Rabanus Park (The Fargo Project)
ACC Role	Review staff report and purpose alignment to City strategic goals	General oversight, appoint a selection committee	TBD	TBD	Review RFPs and designate selection committee in partnership with city department lead	Steering Committee and general oversight

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Project Types	Community Requested	ACC Call for Artists (CFA)	Public-Private Public Art Partnerships	Capital Arts Projects	Departmental Projects	Foundation Grant Projects
Known Project Time	Ongoing	December 2021	Spring 2022 – FSD box wraps	LOI - Summer 2022	Transit Bus Wrap (Spring '22) City Hall Panels (Winter '21)	Madison Neighborhood (Winter '21/Spring '22)
Funding Source	None	ACC	TBD, varies each year but no set-aside in the budget	City of Fargo	City of Fargo	Kresge Foundation via Planning Dept
Funding Amount	None	\$45,000 annually, \$5,000 to 15,000 increments	TBD	\$250,000	\$50,000	\$60,000-80,000 <i>potentially aligns with an artist in residency program</i>
Funding Process	None	Call for Artists	N/A	Public Art Letter of Interest	TBD	Grant driven
Who applies	Ideas come forward from the community	Expand to include culture bearers, city departments, organizers, and creative problem solving	Private and Public driven (including Peer Agency e.g., School District, Parks, etc.)	Multi-Disciplinary practitioners	Expand to include culture bearers, city departments, organizers	Expand to include culture bearers, city departments, organizers

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This chart highlights a few differences in the types of public art the City of Fargo has produced to provide context to the Public Art Project Types on pages 1 & 2. It's highly a simplified description of public art, community-based art and creative practices.

Artifact in the following means the resulting art which may be sculptural, visual, or performance-based, lasting, or temporary with barrier free access for recipients to witness, experience or visualize

Artist is expanded to include culture bearers, and traditional artists, cultural worker, socially engaged artists, creative problem solving, etc.

	Public Art	Community-Based Public Art	Creative Placemaking
Project Basis	Project focused on a public artifact.	Project focuses on a public artifact and includes community input or engagement to be realized or created.	Project focused on a community-engaged process to address, or highlight a problem with products being awareness, understanding, shared experience, to develop and enhance community change.
Level of Community Engagement	Artist creates an artifact for the community.	Artist consults with and involves a community to contribute to an artifact.	Artist collaborates with community through a process of meaning making though which the community shares authorship in the resulting artifact.
Project Examples	Library Square, Emily's skyway, FARGO Bike Rack, Utility Box Wraps,	Canoe Parade, Community Food Mural, Officer Bloom's Police Mural, Fargo Community Water Tower	World Garden Commons at Rabanus Park
Results	Implementation or fabrication	Community engagement, project concept planning, and implementation or fabrication	Community engagement for the purpose of project concept development, iteration, and planning. Initial funding may or may not include implementation or fabrication. Generally, addresses a geographical place or origin.

MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL DEPARTMENTS

FROM: ALBERT GIBSON, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2021

SUBJECT: 2022 ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Listed below are the Arts and Culture Commission meeting dates for the calendar year 2022.

2022 Meeting Schedule

Arts and Culture Commission Meetings

January 19

March 16

May 18

July 20

September 21

November 16

Arts and Culture Commission meetings will be held the 3rd Wednesday bi-monthly at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall.